

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Michael Radomsky

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Application No.: 10/796,441

Examiner: Michael C. Henry

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Title: METHOD OF PROMOTING BONE GROWTH WITH HYALURONIC ACID AND

GROWTH FACTORS

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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2006. A three-month extension of time accompanies this response. With the extension, the response is due by January 12, 2007.

Since this response does not include a change to an existing claim, cancellation of a claim, or submission of a new claim, a claim listing is not required. MPEP 714.

Claims 17-22 are pending in the subject application.

Claims 17, 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Miyoshi et al., (JP04282322), hereinafter "Miyoshi." This rejection is respectfully traversed. In responding to this rejection, Applicant relies upon the examiner's characterization of the reference as well as the English abstract appended to the end of the reference. It is first pointed out that hyaluronic acid can come in various molecular weights. Throughout the specification of the present application, it is